

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Applicants:** Angelo BOLLI et al.

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**FOR: HEAT-SENSITIVE COMPOSITION IN WHICH REMOVAL OF THE UNEXPOSED REGIONS IS UNNECESSARY, NEGATIVE LITHOGRAPHIC PLATE COATED WITH THE SAID COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR FORMING A NEGATIVE IMAGE ON THE SAID PLATE**

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend claims 7-11, 18-24 & 26 as follows:

7. (amended) Composition according to claim 1, characterised in that the IR absorber is a cyanine dye.
8. (amended) Composition according to claim 1, characterised in that the IR absorber has the following formula